

Trinity United Church: Weddings

1. Trinity United Church welcomes couples to be married in the church sanctuary or by the current minister on a site, regardless of religious affiliation, if they meet with the agreement of a Christian Ceremony.
2. The couple is to obtain the Ontario Provincial Licences on their own. This is done within the three-month period before the wedding, but not before this time.
3. The minister will be happy to meet with you in conversation about the kind of service you wish, the spirituality that is to be expressed, and to advise about the various aspects of the service itself. After an initial meeting with the minister in person, email correspondence, telephone calls and additional meetings if requested, are available to you as you work with the minister to ensure that your wedding service is as it should be.
4. Music for the wedding is the couple's responsibility, but the minister is happy to help with suggestions for instrumentation and selected material. If the couple wishes for a musician to play for the service, this can be arranged with the church pianist if he is available. If you are bringing your own musicians, it is helpful if they are present at the time of the rehearsal.
5. The minister's fee includes a full rehearsal which is usually the night before the wedding, but another time can be arranged with the minister if this time/date does not suit.
6. In the past we had a fee of \$300 for the use of the sanctuary. But we have recently decided that as this is a pastoral matter - a service we offer to the community - no fee is attached to the usage of the church sanctuary – a sanctuary being a sacred space that we offer as gift. If you wish to make a donation, that is another matter, and of course, you are welcome at any time to make a donation to the on-going working of the church.
7. Decorations are the responsibility of the couple and may be done a day in advance. Please consult with the minister on this matter.
8. There is a sound system to be used by the minister who will make these arrangements.
9. No confetti, rice or birdseed is to be used on church property for weddings.
10. Please discuss photography with the minister. The general rule is that photography is fine during the service, though the photographer is to remain as inconspicuous as possible throughout the ceremony. This applies for both still and video photography.

Minister: \$250.00 in sanctuary/ \$300 on site.

Pianist/Organist: \$150.00

Custodian: \$75.00

Please note that minister and custodian will all need to be paid. The musician is an option that you may choose or not. We suggest leaving all payments at the time of the rehearsal with the minister, whether the wedding is in the sanctuary or on site.

If you have any further questions, please contact the minister or the office manager.

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